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SUBJ: RELEASES OF POLITICAL PRISONERS

1. THE GOVERNMENT RELEASED 18 POLITICAL PRISONERS FROM EMBOSCADA PRISON ON MARCH 30. THEY ARE: MIGUEL ALMADA; PABLO BAEZ BRITZ; BERNARDO CARDOZO GIMENEZ; JULIO COLMAN PINTOS; ANDRES FLORENTIN DUARTE; ANANIAS MAIDANA PALACIOS; ANASTASIO MARTINEZ BRITOS; ROBERTO MARTINEZ CANTERO; JOSE OLMEDO MONTANIA; JUAN LEONOR OVELAR; RAMON PENA CASCO; SANCHEZ CALIXTO RAMIREZ; MARIA LINA RODAS; HUMBERTO FULVIO RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ; AURELIO ROJAS CACERES; ALFONSO SILVA QUINTANA; HERMINIO STUMPF AREVALOS; AND FELIPE VERA BAEZ.

2. THIS LIST IS A WELCOME DEVELOPMENT AS ALL BUT THREE OF THE OLD-TIME POLITICAL PRISONERS ARE INCLUDED. AMONG THOSE FREED WAS THE DEAN OF POLITICAL PRISONERS, MAIDANA, WHO HAD BEEN DETAINED ALMOST 20 YEARS. ALL WERE EITHER SUSPECTED OF HAVING TIES WITH THE PARAGUAYAN COMMUNIST PARTY OR THE DISSIDENT MOPOCO COLORADO MOVEMENT.

3. THERE ARE NOW 28 PRISONERS IN EMBOSACADA WHO WERE DETAINED PRIOR TO 1976. OF THESE, ONLY THREE, SEVERO ACOSTA ARANDO (1964),
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VIRILIO BAREIRO (1964), AND IDALINA GAONA DE ACOSTA (1965) WERE DETAINED PRIOR TO 1974. ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION THERE ARE NOW 130 POLITICAL PRISONERS OF WHOM 113 ARE IN EMBOSCADA, 10 ARE UNDER HOUSE ARREST AND 7 IN OTHER PRISONS. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POLITICAL PRISONERS HAS COME DOWN BY 47 SINCE JANUARY 31.
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